

MR. JONES (Montgomery)—The Minority report is on the ordinance offered by the gentleman from Chambers. The minority did not dissent as to this. They thought one was enough, I suppose.

MR. HEFLIN (Chambers)—Wasn't your report and some amendments made on the ordinance?

MR. JONES—No, sir; not on the ordinance offered by the gentleman from Dallas, or his resolution.

The report of the Committee on Ordinance No. 408 was read as follows:

Report of the Committee on Executive Department on Ordinance No. 408:

Mr. President, the Committee on Executive Department to whom was referred Ordinance No. 408, direct me to return the same with the recommendation that it do not pass. It proposes to change the present Constitution and the article on the Executive Department adopted by this Convention so as to make Sheriffs eligible as their own successors, and to change the provisions of the article adopted by the Convention to the mode of impeachments of Sheriffs.

All these matters have been so frequently discussed before the Convention, and it has so frequently acted adversely to the principle sought to be enacted by the ordinance herewith returned, that the committee refrains from any argument in support of its adverse report.

Thomas G. Jones, Chairman.

The Minority report of the committee was read as follows:

Minority report of Executive Department:

We, the undersigned members of the Committee on the Executive Department, do not concur in the Majority report on Ordinance No. 408, introduced by Mr. Heflin of Chambers.

We recommend the adoption of the ordinance as amended by us, which is as follows:

An ordinance entitled Section 28 of Article V:

Be it ordained by the people of Alabama, in Convention assembled:

A Sheriff shall be elected in each county by the qualified electors thereof, who shall hold his office for the term of four years, unless sooner removed, and he shall be ineligible to such office as his own successor. Vacancies in the office of Sheriff